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Sent: Monday, August 21, 2017 2:34 PM **To:** 'Victoria Plante-Northington'

Cc: Mintzer, Andrea (CAO); 'Davion White'

Subject: Discovery.

Attachments: Consent to Release Cell Phone Records.pdf; Aetna explanation of benefits

release.pdf; Social Security Transcript release.pdf; Harris County 2nd Set RFP to

Plaintiff.pdf; Harris County 2nd Set Rogs to Plaintiff.pdf; 2017-08-21 Agreed Protective

Order.pdf; 2017-08-21 Motion for Protective Order.pdf

Victoria,

It was a pleasure speaking with you Thursday. Please let me know if I've summarized our agreement correctly.

Mr. Grant agreed to sign our medical and employment releases and provide a list of all healthcare providers since 2008 and employers since 2013. He's also agreed to sign a Social Security authorization dating to 2010, which is attached. I understand you'll modify the releases to reflect the agreed dates and produce Grant's tax returns promptly.

I've attached the protective order we discussed. With your permission, we can file it, or you're welcome to file. Once it's signed by the Court, we'll produce the documents that were withheld but will need to discuss the relevance and scope of the employees' files. For example, just as we agreed not to seek Grant's employment records earlier than 2013, I don't see how anything from anyone else's file before 2010 could be relevant. Grant admits he had no disagreement with Samuel until at least 2011.

I told Davion we would send a CD with our production in electronic format. We've been holding off until we got a copy of the videos from our client. We've got the videos and will put a complete CD in the mail today.

I've attached some additional request for production and interrogatories. In response to your objections to Request for Production No. 4, we're propounding new requests that are much more specific and limited in scope. Along with the RFP, we've included a release to Aetna during the agreed medical period (that will help identify Grant's medical providers).

We've also included a release to AT&T for 2012 and 2013, which is explained in RFP 29. Grant made his relationship with his coworkers highly relevant when he claimed they discriminated and retaliated against him. Grant's act of secretly recording his conversations with co-workers opens the door to his other communications with these coworkers in 2012 and 2013—particularly about topics related to work. Grant admits on these tapes that "somebody" texted him about Samuel, but he's vague and allusive about who that person was. Harris County is entitled to know which coworkers and witnesses communicated with Grant about facts related to this case, and when those communications occurred. Grant's phone provider will have evidence of the times, dates, and frequency of these communications.

These records are also relevant because Grant misused his phone at work. One reason Grant was terminated is because he violated the electronic devices policy (See HC-0184). Harris County did not know he was using an electronic device to take secret recordings inside a secure facility, but it was suspected that Grant was on his cell phone when he should have been walking his rounds. Therefore, it is highly relevant to know how frequently Grant sent texts, played games or apps, or surfed the web at work.

Finally, can you offer some deposition dates for Dr. David Braunreiter, Brittany Grant, James Reddish, Hugo Inwufor, Lee Harris, and Jason Brown—witnesses listed on Grant's disclosures? If you need us to contact any of the witnesses directly, we can do that if you provide contact information and anticipated testimony. Right now, we're available August 28-30, September 4-7, September 11-12, and September 14-15. Let me know when you're ready to take depositions of our witnesses, and I'll try to coordinate dates with you.

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If you have any questions, or if I can assist with anything, please don't hesitate to reach out.



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